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In re:
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

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Regulatory Action:

Government Code Section 11343.8

Title 14, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections: 28301

Amend sections:

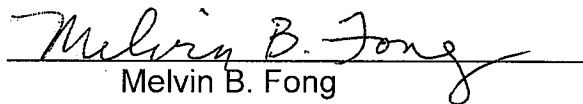
Repeal sections:

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June 1, 2011

Secretary John Laird
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Subject: Request to authorize the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy to play a convening role for ongoing early project planning efforts in the Delta

Dear Secretary Laird:

At its May 18, 2011 Board meeting, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy (Conservancy) presented a panel of representatives from the organizations that are actively planning early implementation projects in the Delta. Panelists included representatives from the Delta Habitat Initiatives Managers Team ("Big Tent"), the State and Federal Water Contractors Agency (SFWCA), the BDCP Habitat Coordination Committee, the Fish Restoration Program Agreement (FRPA) and the Delta Land Trusts workgroup. The Board greatly appreciated the opportunity to better understand the individual and collective roles of these programs and the status of their efforts. The Board recognized that better coordination, assessment, and tracking of the cumulative effects of these efforts, and outreach to the affected communities, are necessary. The Board believes that the authorizing legislation for the Conservancy anticipates this role and that this organization is uniquely situated to convene and coordinate these efforts.

If you agree that the Conservancy has this authority in its existing statute and support this request, the Board will work with staff and the planning entities to define a value added role for the Conservancy that ensures better coordination and integration without adding any additional layer of cumbersome bureaucracy. The Conservancy's Executive Officer relayed the Board's desires in this matter to the panel members and received positive feedback from these representatives including BDCP and SFWCA. Both organizations believe better coordination is necessary and that this presents a good opportunity for the Conservancy to define a lead role in restoration in the Delta.

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Thank you for your continued support of the Conservancy and please contact myself or our Executive Director Campbell Ingram with your response and any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



MARY NEJEDLY PIEPHO

Chair, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

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